

SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

Spartanburg School District Two School District

Grades: PK-12 Enrollment: 9,970

Superintendent: Dr. Scott J. Mercer Board Chair: Joyce M. Wright

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL A	ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2012	Excellent	Excellent	N/A	N/A	Α	N/A
2011	Good	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2010	Good	Excellent	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
8	6	1	0	1

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/07/2012. Districts with Students Like Ours are Districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

PASS								
PASS	2012 Reading	2012 Math	2012 Science	2012 Social Studies	2012 Writing			
	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above			
District	81.5%	82.7%	79.4%	80.1%	81.6%			
Districts with Students Like Ours**	77.5%	76.8%	74.9%	77.5%	76.3%			
Average District	74.9%	74.3%	72.1%	74.8%	74.0%			

PASS	2012 Reading	2012 Math	2012 Science Social Studies		2012 Writing
	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary
District	50.1%	45.1%	30.8%	38.5%	44.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	46.1%	39.2%	27.0%	37.9%	40.2%
Average District	42.7%	36.3%	24.8%	34.6%	37.3%

HSAP							
HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)				
District	84.4%	7.8%	7.8%				
Districts with Students Like Ours**	81.7%	11.5%	6.8%				

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2012 (%)				
District	94.8%			
Districts with Students Like Ours**	92.5%			

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)				
District	77.6%			
Districts with Students Like Ours**	75.5%			

On-Time Graduation Rate (%)	
District	80.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	75.0%

^{**} Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

ı	NAEP*
	* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level.
	Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.
	READING – GRADE 4 (2011)
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READING - GRADE	: 4 (2011)	1						
South Carolina	39	33	22	6				
Nation	34	34	25	7				
READING - GRADE	8 (2011)							
South Carolina	28	45		25 2				
Nation	25	43		29	3			
	% Below Basic	% Basic, Profici	ent, and A	dvanced				
■ Below Basic □ Ba	sic Proficient	■ Advanced						
MATH - GPADE 4 (MATH _ GPADE 4 (2011)							

	MATH – GRADE 4	(2011)			
	South Carolina	21	43	31	5
	Nation	18	42	42 33	
MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)					
	South Carolina	30	38	25	7
	Nation	28	39	26	8
	9	6 Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient,	and Advanc	ed
	■ Below Basic □ B	asic Proficie	nt Advanced		

SCIENCE – GR	ADE 4 ((2009)	ı				
South Carolina		28	38			33	1
Nation		29	39		3	32	1
SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2009)							
South Carolina		45	32		22	1	
Nation		38	33		28	1	
	9	6 Below Basic	% Basic, Profici	ient,	and Ad	lvanced	
Below Basic	☐ Basic	☐ Proficient	Advanced				

SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Spartanburg School District Two School District **DISTRICT PROFILE**

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=9,970)				
Retention rate	1.4%	No Change	1.6%	2.0%
Attendance rate	96.8%	No Change	96.0%	96.1%
Served by gifted and talented program	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
With disabilities other than speech	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Older than usual for grade	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.1%	Up from 0.0%	0.5%	0.6%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	14.5%	Up from 12.5%	21.2%	13.5%
Successful on AP/IB exams	65.3%	Down from 73.3%	48.4%	49.9%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	54.9%	Down from 59.1%	35.8%	30.3%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	59	Down from 64	63	59
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	39	No Change	43	31
Annual dropout rate	2.9%	Up from 2.3%	2.9%	2.7%
Teachers (n=594)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	63.1%	Down from 63.8%	62.8%	62.4%
Continuing contract teachers	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Teachers returning from previous year	92.4%	Up from 91.9%	92.7%	91.1%
Teacher attendance rate	94.2%	Down from 96.1%	95.2%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,411	Up 2.7%	\$47,631	\$46,595
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.2%	Up from 0.0%	0.0%	0.1%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.8%	Up from 1.3%	1.5%	2.1%
Professional development days/teacher	10.6 days	Down from 14.8 days	12.1 days	12.4 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	8.0	Up from 6.0	5.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.7 to 1	Up from 22.6 to 1	22.8 to 1	21.7 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.3%	Down from 91.7%	90.1%	89.9%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,307	Down 4.1%	\$8,189	\$8,866
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	54.7%	Down from 55.2%	56.0%	53.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	57.2%	Down from 58.0%	58.6%	55.9%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	14	No Change	16	9
Portable classrooms	1.0%	Down from 2.4%	1.3%	1.4%
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	14.0	No Change	14.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	Up from 95.8%	100.0%	99.5%
Average administrator salary	\$80,871	Up 5.6%	\$80,157	\$77,744
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
ESEA composite index score	91.7	N/A	89.1	85.6
* Length of contract = 185+ days.		1		

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RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITIES STUDENT PERFORMANCE

	PASS	HSAP	End-of-Course Tests
Passage Rate	N/A	N/A	I/S

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	ESEA Grade
There are no charter schools in this district.			

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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

Thank you for taking the time to look over our district report card. It contains valuable information concerning our student performance indicators. The Board of Trustees and administration appreciate your involvement in and support for our schools.

You will note that District Two has achieved a great deal of academic success as measured by our student achievement results on the various state tests. All fourteen of our schools earned Palmetto Gold or Silver Awards last year and received "absolute" ratings of Good or Excellent on the state report card. We were proud that the total amount of scholarship money earned by the Class of 2012 was an all-time high of \$17.7 million. Our athletic teams continue to be competitive and our visual and performing arts programs have been recognized near and far for their

Our efforts in classroom instruction have focused this past year in several key areas: Elementary classroom teachers have been trained to utilize guided reading strategies to help our students in a more individualized way with their reading skills. All schools have implemented "Response to Intervention" teams to address learning issues with individual students. As a result, our referrals for special services have been greatly reduced as we meet learning needs in the regular classrooms. We continue to improve in our ability to provide differentiated instruction based on student results in every classroom.

We continue to address facility needs in order to provide excellent and equitable learning environments for our students. Some recent projects include the expansion of the cafeteria and kitchen area at Boiling Springs High School, renovation of the science labs at the Boiling Springs Ninth Grade campus, and a \$4.2 million expansion at Swofford Career Center in partnership with Spartanburg One. We have also extended parking lots and access roads at several schools to provide a safer drop-off and pick-up situation for parents. The Board and administration continually monitor our facility needs and make improvements as we plan for the future.

Five advisory councils meet with the superintendent and staff quarterly to provide and receive information on current issues facing the schools. Members of the local business community, parents, teachers, support staff, and students advise us on ideas and initiatives.

Spartanburg School District Two is a wonderful place to live, work and learn. The presence of faith and strong families enable us to more easily educate your children. Thank you for choosing to live here and for partnering with us in this most important endeavor.

Scott J. Mercer, Superintendent

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available